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October 18, 2005

Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk/Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission 101 Executive Center Dr., Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

Re:

Request of Verizon Information Services Seeking Approval of

Modification of Font Size of Directories

Docket No.:

2005-221-C

Dear Mr. Terreni:

ORS has reviewed the information provided by the company in this matter, including the sample pages demonstrating the requested font changes. ORS has determined that if granted, Verizon's request will have a negative impact on the citizens of South Carolina. ORS must therefore oppose the request made by Verizon to decrease the font size of the listings in its directories.

Verizon requested a reduction in font size from 7 point to 6.5 point of listings in its directories. The company proposes that the reduction in font size would allow an additional column to be printed on each page of the directory.

It is ORS's position that reducing the font size and adding another column to each page will negatively affect the legibility of the directory, especially for elderly consumers.

ORS appreciates the Commission's consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

C. Lessie Hammonds

cc: Stan Bugner

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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This is to certify that I, C. Lessie Hammonds, an employee with the Office of Regulatory Staff, have this date served one (1) copy of the **LETTER DATED 10/18/05** in the above-referenced matter to the person(s) named below by causing said copy to be deposited in the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as shown below:

Stan J. Bugner, State Director Verizon Information Services 1301 Gervais Street, Suite 825 Columbia, SC, 29201

C. Lessie Hammonds

October 18, 2005 Columbia, South Carolina